

**Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA)
Fiscal Year 2001 Subgrant Awards
Listed by Library Name**

The following federal Library Services and Technology Act subgrant awards
will be made to libraries serving residents of the State of Michigan.

Alcona County Library

Carol Luck, Director
312 West Main, PO Box 348
Harrisville. MI 48740

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library	Award Amount	\$10,360
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The library will provide targeted technical and informational materials for its Job Search and Career Center. Subgrant funds will be used to purchase a computer to be dedicated to job and career information resources; design a Web interface for career information services; purchase circulating and reference book materials such as career change materials, resume guides, test preparation books, etc. for each branch of the Alcona County Library and Alcona Community High School library; train staff to help patrons to use these materials; and ask users to evaluate and recommend improvements of the service.

Charles E. Egeler Correctional Facility Library

Harry Trapp, Assistant Deputy Warden
3855 Cooper Street
Jackson. MI 49201

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library	Award Amount	\$6,674
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The prison population to be served by this project have a very low literacy rate. 70% fall into the two lowest levels of the National Adult Literacy Survey and less than 50% have a High School Diploma. There is a high percentage of the population with English as a Second Language. The Charles E. Egeler Correctional Facility Library will purchase literacy materials for low level readers and Spanish speaking people. An individual will be trained as a tutor instructor. The school, through the utilization of test scores, will provide a list of students who would most benefit from the literacy project.

Glen Oaks Community College Library

Dr. Marsi Liddell, President
62249 Shimmel Road
Centreville. MI 49032-9719

General Technology	Award Amount	\$27,200
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Glen Oaks Community College and eight public libraries in St. Joseph County are working together to create a library-based Internet training center located in the College Library. Adults in the community will learn computer information skills in workshops taught by public librarians. College students will learn how to access information under the guidance of the library director. The Woodlands Library Cooperative will provide computer-based training for public library and school library staff. The new Internet training center, called the Library Learning Research Laboratory, will have 25 computers with Internet access.

Tammy Compeau, Media Specialist
4932 Bamfield Road
Glennie, MI 48737

General Technology

Award Amount

\$49,229

Subgrant funds will be used to establish a local area network (LAN) in the Glennie Elementary School library; provide Internet training/access to students; provide a computer lab for much-needed adult education; and introduce seniors to technology. The Curtis Township Library will organize evening computer classes, purchase necessary presentation equipment, and purchase software applicable to today's office requirements. They will promote the acquisition and installation of the Glennie Elementary School's computer network, emphasizing the cooperation between the public library, school library, and school district.

Hemlock High School Library

Clifford Crossett, Superintendent
733 N. Hemlock Road, P.o. Box 260
Hemlock, MI 48626

General Technology

Award Amount

\$118,407

Hemlock's public library, Rauchholz Memorial Library, will connect to Hemlock School District's local area network, which will join the public library and the four school libraries electronically. The five collaborating libraries will purchase and install automated circulation and catalog systems and the libraries' collections will be available online. Interlibrary loan will be encouraged and easily available. Public library patrons will have access to the school district's educational materials on the server. Combining resources will provide patrons with a greater level of service and improve patron satisfaction while increasing the visibility of library programs in the community.

Hesperia Public Library

Elizabeth Nordin, Library Director
80 South Division Street
Hesperia, MI 49421

Children in Poverty

Award Amount

\$16,422

Working together with the Hesperia Community Schools, Hesperia Public Library will purchase books and other supportive learning resources and install an online card catalog for the developing reader. The project also includes activities to bring the new resources together with the student and family using visits to the library. The project is designed to be the beginning foundation of an ongoing collection of materials for those children who are in the earliest developmental phases of reading and progress through competency.

Kathleen Zaenger, Director
314 West Grand River Avenue
Howell, MI 48843

Promotion and Training

Award Amount

\$55,820

Through partnerships with all six public libraries in the Livingston County, two school districts, one community college, nine county agencies, and the probate court, Howell Carnegie District Library will offer parenting resources. Working together, the libraries, schools, and agencies involved in this countywide project will provide *Love and Logic* programs with all six county libraries throughout the entire county on parenting topics; purchase parenting materials for the county's six public libraries; host a website coordinating the information; and conduct a multifaceted publicity campaign to make county parents aware of available resources.

Ishpeming Public School District Library

Dr. Stephen Piereson, Superintendent
319 East Division
Ishpeming, MI 49849

General Technology

Award Amount

\$25,000

The Ishpeming Public School (IPS) district's four libraries will join the Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation's (UPRLC) Automated Library Services online Dynix system. Automation of routine library functions will free library staff time for mission-critical, student and persons with disabilities training. UPRLC and library staff will train 14 students who will use the library computer labs and English classes to provide 134 hours of library research skills training for 70 teachers and 736 high school and middle school students. IPS will partner with the Ishpeming Public Library to provide the same training for the citizens with disabilities in the community.

Lapeer County Library

Phyllis Clark, Director
201 Village West Drive
Lapeer, MI 48446

Promotion and Training

Award Amount

\$28,055

"Lapeer County Information Depot" is changing the way individuals learn about available community services and discover upcoming local events. The five public libraries of Lapeer County, Lapeer Community Schools, the Lapeer County Technology Coalition, the United Way, and Lapeer County Health Department partner to promote Lapeer County's web-based community information network. "Lapeer County Information Depot - Bringing People and Services Together - www.lapeer.org" will heighten community awareness of this content-rich local digital resource through promotional, educational, and training activities targeting local information seekers and providers throughout the Lapeer County.

Carolyn Deis, Director, Macomb County Library
16480 Hall Road
Clinton Township, MI 48038-1132

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library

Award Amount

\$60,748

Children with special needs, specifically those who are blind or reading disabled, need to be identified, registered, and made to feel better about the different formats in which they read. The "Braille Literacy Kit" and "Welcome New Readers Kit" backpacks will encourage Braille literacy for both old and new blind student patrons of statewide Libraries for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (LBPH), and the "Welcome Kit" will entice parents and teachers alike to enroll reading disabled children into the LBPH program.

Martin Junior/Senior High School Library

Tom Cutler, Superintendent
1556 Chalmers Street
Martin, MI 49070

General Technology

Award Amount

\$75,000

In its efforts to improve the information gathering skills of the students at Martin Public Schools and the patrons of the Martin Township Library, the library will convert from the current paper/pencil to an automated catalog/circulation system. Subgrant funds will be used to purchase and install hardware, software, wiring, furniture, and supplies; promote and teach students, staff, and patrons how to use the automated system; connect all three libraries by way of the Internet; and connect with the union catalog of Lakeland or Southwest Michigan Library Cooperative.

Newberry Correctional Facility Library

James MacMeekin, Warden
3001 Newberry Avenue
Newberry, MI 49868

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library

Award Amount

\$124,989

In response to the annual survey by the Michigan Department of Corrections, library patrons indicate that they are frequently unable to find needed materials in the prison library. The library will meet the needs of more patrons in the libraries by increasing and diversifying the type and quantity of materials available to them. This will be accomplished by automating the participating libraries, sharing information about the collections, and guiding patrons in the use of the technology. The library patrons will benefit by knowing that there is more available to them than what is contained behind the prison walls; and they will be better prepared to use their home town library after being exposed to library technology in prison.

Roger Syswerda, Superintendent
4555 Knowles Road
North Adams, MI 49242

General Technology

Award Amount

\$90,096

The project goal of this collaborative effort is to present the North Adams - Jerome Elementary, North Adams - Jerome High School, Davis Middle School, Hillsdale High School, and Mitchell Public Library card catalogs on the Internet. Converting North Adams - Jerome Elementary and High School libraries to computer catalogs, and preparing and mounting software in all five sites for web accessible card catalogs will accomplish this goal. Users and librarians will be able to search the catalog and request materials by phone, email, or in person. By combining resources, the public and school libraries will provide an enhanced level of service to users of all ages.

Northland Library Cooperative

Chirstine Johnson, Director
316 East Chisholm Street
Alpena, MI 49707

General Technology

Award Amount

\$125,000

Alpena County, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Petoskey public and Pellston school libraries have text-based circulation systems that are almost ten years old, a lifetime in the changing world of automation. New systems in these libraries will allow both in-house and remote web-based access to library services. By working together on this project, these libraries will share in the evaluation and selection process and will select systems that are compatible for sharing library resources with each other.

Northland Library for the Blind and Physically

Christine Johnson, Director
316 East Chisholm Street
Alpena, MI 49707

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library

Award Amount

\$50,000

On behalf of participating public libraries, the Northland LBPH will purchase a 50 user district license for JAWS and Magic software for print impaired patrons. Subgrant funds will also be used to purchase low vision lens kits; hold workshops for 70 librarians covering installation and use of the audible software; purchase and install a Braille printer and software on Northland's adaptive workstation; and purchase and install tape duplication equipment with tapes.

Christopher Wigent, Superintendent
255 First Street
Olivet, MI 49076

General Technology

Award Amount

\$49,902

The patrons of the three libraries of the Olivet Community Schools will benefit in a variety of ways from an automated circulation system with an online catalog. Patrons will be more successful in less time with Boolean or keyword searching. Materials will be more quickly available to patrons as the automation system speeds circulation tasks. Patrons will be able to plan their research activities from the classroom or home before they enter the library. Patrons in Olivet as well as the surrounding communities will benefit from the increased interlibrary loan capabilities available through an online catalog.

OWLS Region of Cooperation

A. Michael Deller, Director
13331 Reeck Road
Southgate, MI 48195

General Technology

Award Amount

\$125,000

This project will provide Oakland Washtenaw Wayne Livingston St. Clair Library Network (OWLS) Region of Cooperation's patrons with direct access to the region's major academic, public, and special library resources. It will link the OWLS regional catalog, the Library Cooperative of Macomb catalog, and the Detroit Area Library Network (DALNET) system to provide a unified set of resources to residents in southeastern Michigan. The project will integrate the Library Cooperative of Macomb database with the OWLS Regional Virtual Catalog; link the OWLS server with the DALNET server; integrate interlibrary loan requests; and improve delivery of physical materials.

Portage Lake District Library

Jim Curtis, Director
105 Huron Street
Houghton, MI 49931

Promotion and Training

Award Amount

\$85,325

The Spread the Word Project involves the Portage Lake District Library and five smaller school/public libraries. The subgrant will help make the physical locations, resources, and services, more prominent to the community members. The Spread the Word Project will accomplish this by conducting several different promotional activities including Power Point presentations; and billboard, radio, television, and print advertisements.

Norman Maas, Library Director
505 Janes
Saginaw, MI 48607

Children in Poverty

Award Amount

\$22,815

The project will train school and public library staff in techniques for training and motivating children to read, with an emphasis on techniques to use with children in poverty; provide professional reading resource materials at elementary school and public libraries; and provide for the development of programs and resource materials that encourage literacy in young children. A joint school/public library committee will plan project activities. Staff from area libraries may participate in training.

Reese Public School District Libraries

Dr. Curt Finch, Superintendent
9535 Center, PO Box 389
Reese, MI 48757

General Technology

Award Amount

\$88,336

This project will allow Reese Public School District libraries and Unity District Library to network, provide a more efficient operation in resource sharing and record keeping, and enhance user access to information through an online union catalog. Activities include purchase and installation of the hardware, software, wiring, and furniture to automate and network four libraries. Once the system is functional, the library will train the students, staff, and patrons on the system's use. Publicity for the project will include brochures, posters, local and high school newspapers, school newsletters, the school website, and open houses. The librarians will meet regularly to develop collaborative procedures for interlibrary loans and summer reading programs.

Rudyard School Public Library

Timothy Murphy, Superintendent
11185 West 2nd Street, P.O. Box 246
Rudvard, MI 49780

Children in Poverty

Award Amount

\$52,920

Subgrant funds will be used to provide a separate children's area and to offer expanded services that will acquaint children with the fun of reading and learning, sparking their imaginations in new directions. The new resources and services will help the children discover diverse ways of learning through software, visual aids, books, and hands on activities. The programs and presentations will provide an opportunity for children to interact socially with children of other backgrounds.

David Peden, Superintendent
13201 Trenton Road
Southgate, MI 48195

General Technology

Award Amount

\$45,930

The goal of this project is to significantly increase library services and access to resources for the students in the Southgate Community School District. The components to reaching this goal are to automate the school libraries and continue membership and interlibrary loan delivery services from The Library Network (TLN), and to partner with TLN and Southgate Veteran Memorial Library to increase library membership, circulation, and knowledge of information processing and access skills. Subgrant funds will be used to automate libraries; make the catalog available on the World Wide Web; conduct registration for TLN library cards; and offer school computer labs and instruction for public library training use.

Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation, Inc.

Suzanne Dees, Director
1615 Presque Isle Avenue
Marquette, MI 49855

General Technology

Award Amount

\$25,000

The Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation, Inc. (UPRLC) 2001 consortium will acquire new Dynix user authentication software to increase remote access by 2,620 virtual library consumers to local and remote Web-based resources. Three new local online resources will be created. Statistical report writing software will identify the virtual library consumer by patron category and measure usage of Web-based resources. Focus groups and surveys of patron categories will determine the effectiveness, service quality, and impact of the services on the consumers. Promotion and training will improve the virtual consumers' awareness of Web-based network services and online skills.

Warren Public Library

Wlodek Zaryczny, Library Director
5951 Beebe
Warren, MI 48092

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library

Award Amount

\$15,761

Warren Public Library will use subgrant funds to improve services to the visually impaired, the learning disabled, and those with literacy problems. The library will select, order, and process two reading machines that convert text to high-quality speech, ten reading pens that convert text to speech, and computer screen reading software for public use for both Miller and Burnette branches; and purchase a tabletop color video magnification system for Miller Branch. When the adaptive devices are installed, the library will instruct patrons how to use the new equipment and software, and begin a marketing campaign to publicize the new devices.

Ruth Klemans, Director
30555 Michigan Avenue
Westland, MI 48186-5310

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library	Award Amount	\$20,450
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The goal of this project is for the River Rouge Branch of the Wayne County Library to provide older adults with adaptive technology, library materials, enrichment programs, and outreach services. This project will improve the quality and level of service provided to older adults as well as promote the library as an arena for self-education and recreation.

Wayne County Library

Ruth Klemans, Director
30555 Michigan Avenue
Westland, MI 48186-5310

Promotion and Training	Award Amount	\$67,170
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This subgrant project promotes technology literacy training. Wayne County Library will purchase library materials on computer usage and the Internet. Materials in multi-formats will also facilitate self-directed learning. Improved services will be promoted to residents in the thirteen communities served by the eight branch libraries: Allen Park, Brownstown, Ecorse, Gibraltar, Grosse Isle, Huron Township, Lincoln Park, Melvindale, River Rouge, Romulus, Southgate, Trenton, and Woodhaven.

Wayne County Library - Romulus Branch

Ruth Klemans, Director-Wayne County Library
11121 Wayne Road
Romulus, MI 48174

Children in Poverty	Award Amount	\$69,929
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The project seeks to meet the communities' need for access to current and relevant information resources in multimedia formats for its children, and homework support materials for its teachers and parents. Each participating branch of the Wayne County Library (Ecorse, Lincoln Park, Melvindale, Romulus, and Trenton) will establish and maintain a homework center within their facilities for elementary-aged children, their parents, and teachers. The library branches will purchase, install, promote, and evaluate the project.

Dave Simmons, Cooperative Director
3210 Davenport Road
Saginaw, MI 48602

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library

Award Amount \$104,560

This grant will enable library users with visual difficulties to locate library materials and read them easily in reading centers at participating libraries. Users will benefit by being able to locate items on the computer, on the shelf, or in reference resources without the aid of a library staff member. This project is designed to develop the service at 24 public libraries in the White Pine Library Cooperative. Activities include the purchase of 48 devices, 28 handheld and 20 standalone reader workstations; a promotional campaign to notify library users of its availability; and three staff training sessions in the use of the devices.

Willard Public Library

Richard Hulsey, Director
7 West Van Buren Street
Battle Creek, MI 49017

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library

Award Amount \$24,500

This project is designed to enhance family literacy skills in the Battle Creek area among the native English and Spanish speaking populations. The library will purchase basic literacy materials to be distributed by local schools to families identified by school officials as being unlikely to have print materials in their homes. Families may keep the purchased materials and will be encouraged to attend additional programming at the library. The project will also focus on developing a large collection of Spanish language materials which will be loaned through the library's collection and promoted in the Hispanic community in an effort to attract native Spanish speakers to the library.
